2015 Fulbright Junior Staff Development Program

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE UNITED STATES

Call for Applications

The U.S. Embassy Public Affairs Section is now accepting applications for the 2015 Fulbright Junior Staff Development Program. This program will award scholarships to Zimbabwean university faculty for advanced degree in the United States. The Fulbright Junior Staff Development Program is the largest Fulbright program with Africa and is designed primarily to strengthen African universities through higher degree training.

The Fulbright program is the principal international educational program sponsored by the United States government. The primary source of funding for the Fulbright program is an annual appropriation by the United States Congress.

Eligibility Requirements

Successful applicants for the Fulbright Junior Staff Development Program should:

- --Be Zimbabwean citizens,
- --Be affiliated with, and committed to work at an educational institution in Zimbabwe upon completion of the designated program.
- --Have completed prior academic study equivalent to at least a 4 year U.S. bachelor's degree,
- --Be fluent in English,
- --Have outstanding academic records and preparation in their chosen field,
- --Have satisfactory required test scores (TOEFL, GRE, GMAT, etc.). N.B. Test fees are paid for finalists by the Fulbright program.
- --Have high motivation and a serious commitment to completing the program within a specific time-frame and returning home immediately upon completion of studies.

Application/Selection Process

Interested applicants must send an application letter, Curriculum Vitae, certified copies of <u>degree</u> transcripts and a statement of purpose no more than 2 pages in length. The statement should indicate the degree desired (including major field and specialization), candidate's research interests, and long term career goals. Applicants must also discuss how they intend to contribute to their home institution and to Zimbabwe after obtaining the desired degree. After national selection, final nominations will be reviewed in the United States by independent review committees. These review committees make recommendations to the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board. The Institute of International Education (IIE) will seek university placement of successful candidates. Awards and university placements will be announced in March/April 2015 for programs beginning in August/September 2015. Application deadline is April 30, 2014.

APPLICATION DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE SENT TO THE Program Officer (Fulbright-JSD)

e-mail:HararePAS@state.gov

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Grant Provisions

The Fulbright Junior Staff Development Program provides:

- Round-trip economy international travel and excess-baggage allowance.
- An allowance for settling in.
- A pre-academic orientation program.
- A monthly maintenance allowance and funding for books and professional activities.
- Tuition and university fees.
- Limited accident and sickness insurance.
- Program required field trips.
- Academic training.